



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE ADVISORY GROUP FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dennis Yates, Mayor, City of Chino and LGSBA Chairman
Greg Adams, L.A. County Sanitation District
Felipe Aguirre, Vice Mayor, City of Maywood
Paul Avila, P.B.A. & Associates
Geoffrey Blake, Metal Finishers of Southern California/All Metals
Todd Campbell, Clean Energy
Daniel Cunningham, Metal Finishing Association of Southern California
Lucy Dunn, Orange County Business Council
Jacob Haik, Office of School Board Member Richard Vladovic
Maria Elena Kennedy, Kennedy Communications

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ronald Loveridge, Mayor, City of Riverside and LGSBA Vice Chairman
Luis Ayala, City of Alhambra
Sergio Carrillo, South Bay Yellow Cab and United Checker Cab
Samuel Garrison, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce
Angelo Logan, East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice
Rita Loof, RadTech International
Mary Ann Lutz, City of Monrovia
Kelly Moulton, Paralegal
Steve Mugg, South Orange County Representative, City of Mission Viejo

OTHERS PRESENT:

Earl Elrod, Board Member Assistant (*Yates*)
Ron Ketchum, Board Member Assistant (*Cacciotti*)
Nicole Nishimura, Board Member Assistant (*Lyou*)
Marisa Perez, Board Member Assistant (*Mitchell*)
Spencer Richley, Clean Energy
David Rothbart, LA County Sanitation District

AQMD STAFF:

Naveen Berry, Planning & Rules Manager
Anupom Ganguli, Asst. Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor
Carol Gomez, Planning & Rules Manager
Aaron Katzenstein, Program Supervisor

John Olvera, Principal Deputy District Counsel
Jeanette Short, Senior Administrative Secretary
Greg Ushijima, Air Quality Engineer II
Jill Whynot, Asst. Deputy Executive Officer, Engineering & Compliance

Agenda Item #1 - Call to Order/Opening Remarks

Mayor Dennis Yates called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Agenda Item #2 – Approval of May 13, 2011 Meeting Minutes/Review of Follow-Up/Action Items

Mayor Yates called for approval of the meeting minutes. The May 13, 2011 meeting minutes were approved.

There were no follow-up/action items from this meeting.

Mr. Greg Adams commented that the minutes reflected him as absent but according to the Blue Ribbon charter, he had an approved substitute which counts towards his attendance. He requested that staff change May meeting minutes to reflect his attendance.

Agenda Item #3 – Status Update on Amendments to Rule 1113 – “Architectural Coatings”

Mr. Naveen Berry provided an overview of the amendments to Proposed Rule 1113.

Mr. Geoff Blake asked if the socioeconomic analysis considered multiple coatings over a long period of time. Mr. Berry replied that they did an extensive technology assessment, taking into consideration the need for additional coatings. He added that the current amendments didn't have any long term durability issues.

Mr. Adams asked if the VOC reductions in this rule are getting the AQMD closer to the National Ambient Air Quality Standards, considering the large NOx emissions from mobile sources. Mr. Berry replied that based on the 2007 AQMP, with consideration for the VOC to NOx ratio of 5 to 1, concurrent reductions are the most cost effective and technologically feasible strategy to meet the National Ambient Air Quality Standards. This may be reconsidered as we work on the revisions to the AQMP.

Agenda Item #4 – Program Status for Calendar Year 2011 for Rule 2202 – “On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options”

Ms. Carol Gomez provided an update on Rule 2202 activities for Calendar Year 2011.

Mr. Paul Avila asked why a large employer wouldn't comply with the Parking Cash-Out Program (PCOP). Ms. Gomez replied that some employers may resist the PCOP because of issues on leased property where they cannot unbundle parking and confirm where an employee parks if cash is given.

Mr. Avila asked if there will be a study to see the impacts. Ms. Gomez responded that SCAG does a study on emissions reductions in the “State of the Commute,” which measures different trip reduction options and their impacts on emissions.

Mr. Greg Adams asked if this will be the only enforceable component of the Employee Commute Reduction (ECR) plan. Ms. Gomez replied that it is a new enforceable component.

Mr. Adams asked when a NOV would be issued. Ms. Gomez replied that a NOV would be issued to those who do not submit their plans, do not implement them, or for falsification of data. Mr. Greg Adams asked if the PCOP requirements apply to employers that own both the land and the building. Ms. Gomez replied that the requirements only apply to employers with leased property.

Agenda Item #5 – Overview of AQMD’s Energy Policy

Mr. Aaron Katzenstein provided an overview of the Draft AQMD Energy Policy which integrates air quality, energy security, and climate change issues in a holistic manner.

Ms. Lucy Dunn asked why there was no economic impact analysis done on this policy. She added that the business community is very troubled by this policy since a “policy” means you’re going to be implementing action to support this. Ms. Dunn further asked why something so significant is being rushed without a fair opportunity for analysis.

Mr. Todd Campbell requested an electronic copy of the policy, presentation and board letter.

***Action Item:** Staff to provide electronic copy of Draft Energy Presentation, Policy & Board Letter*

Mr. Campbell asked if the AQMD was going to be looking at criteria pollutants in a new way since electric vehicles have no tail pipe emissions but still have upstream emissions. He further asked how zero emissions are defined and about feasibility studies ensuring that all emissions are accounted for. Dr. Anupom Ganguli responded that mobile sources are 80 to 90 percent of emissions and emissions reductions are needed utilizing electric, electric hybrid and other clean technologies to meet the clean air standards. He added that the policy is consistent with federal and state clean energy and greenhouse gas reduction goals, and EPA’s expected new NAAQS standard of 60 to 70 ppb Ozone, expected in the near future.

Ms. Lucy Dunn asked if an analysis had been done on the policy to see what the impact would be on rate payers and requested a copy.

Agenda Item #6 – Monthly Report on Small Business Assistance Activities

No comments.

Agenda Item #7 - Other Business

No Comments

Agenda Item #8 - Public Comment

No comments.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.